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Banks.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

Paid-up Capital, £1,500,000.

LONDON BANKERS:

BANK OF ENGLAND.

UNION BANK OF LONDON.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3 1/2 per Annum.

" 6 " " 4 " "

" 12 " " 5 " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

Hongkong, June 1, 1882.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, £5,000,000 Dollars.

RESERVE FUND, £2,500,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq.

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Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER.

Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS.—London and Country Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. "

" 12 " 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,

No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, August 19, 1882.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE "GEE CHEONG" COMPANY.

NOTICE is hereby given, that D. JOAQUIM BARRERA LIM JAP, CHOI LIN SENG, LUM GEEK TAO, LUM HON LIT, and CHUI KONG TRUNG, are PARTNERS in the "GEE CHEONG" COMPANY, carrying on as MERCHANTS, at No. 60 BONHAY STREET.

QUEY CHOI is the Chief Manager, and LUM SOW TREN is Assistant Manager of the Company.

JOAQUIM BARRERA LIM JAP.

Hongkong, September 11, 1882. oc11

Intimations.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a STATEMENT of Business Contributed during the Half-Year ended 30th June, 1882, on or before 30th September, on which date the Accounts will be closed.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. COOKE, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, August 28, 1882. oc1

PRIVATE BOARDING HOUSE.

MRS. GRAHAM is prepared to receive TWO or THREE BOARDERS.

House, No. 18, Shelley Street (between Mosque Junction and China Road level).

Hongkong, September 9, 1882. oc3

TAKASIMA CLOTHIER.

THE Undersigned has been appointed AGENT for the SALE of the above COALS at HONGKONG, from and after this date.

H. J. H. TRIPP, Mitsui Bishi Mail S. S. Co.

Hongkong, April 26, 1882. oc27

Intimations.

NOTICE.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

BY Order of the Board of Directors, the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are hereby notified that under Section 20 of the Articles of Association, a further Call of THIRTY SHILLINGS per SHARE has been made, and will be due on the 2nd October.

Shareholders are therefore requested to make the said Payment at 3/4 per Dollar Exchange (\$7.90 per Share) to credit of the Company's Account with the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on or before the above-named date.

Any Calls not paid by the 2nd October, and by Section 22 of the Articles of Association liable to a Charge at the Rate of 10 per cent. per Annum from the due date until that of Payment.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, August 28, 1882. oc3

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE BOOKS for REGISTRATION of Transfer of SHARES in the above Company will be CLOSED here from the 21st Instant until 2nd Proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, September 5, 1882. oc3

THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General MEETING of the above Society will be held at the Society's Head Office, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 3rd day of October, 1882, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when the subject of the Resolution, which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Society held on Monday, the 18th day of September, 1882, will be submitted for Confirmation as a Special Resolution.

RESOLUTION.

That this Society, now registered under the Companies Ordinance No. 1 of 1865 as an Unlimited Company, be registered under the Companies Ordinance 1865 to 1881 as a Company Limited by Shares.

By Order of the Board,

DOUGLAS JONES, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, dated the 18th day of September, 1882. oc3

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions from the 11th day of May, 1881, (when the system of Contributory Bonus recommenced), to the 1st day of December, 1881, in order that the DISTRIBUTION of the PORTION of PROFITS Reserved for CONTRIBUTORS may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to November 30th next, will be adjusted by the Company, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

(Sd.) JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, September 14, 1882. oc1

WILLIAM DOLAN, SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER.

22, PRATA CENTRAL.

COTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS, MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN OAKUM, LIFE BOOYS, CORN JACKETS, &c., &c.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882. a

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE (1881), IN LIQUIDATION.

THE LIQUIDATORS having decided to Pay a Third DIVIDEND of \$500 per Share (being on account of Capital and Reserve Fund), SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that the said Sum will be paid them on their handing their SCRP CERTIFICATES to the Undersigned for Endorsement.

(Signed) F. BULKELEY JOHNSON, E. F. ALFORD, Liquidators.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, 1881.

Hongkong, September 18, 1882.

NEWS FOR HOME.

The Overland China Mail.

(The oldest Overland Paper in China.)

PUBLISHED AT THE "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE IN TIME FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

Containing from 72 to 84 columns of closely-printed matter.

THIS Mail Summary is compiled from the Daily China Mail, is published twice a month on the morning of the English Mail's departure, and is a record of each fortnight's current history of events in China and Japan, contributed in original reports and collected from the journals published at the various ports in these Countries.

It contains Shipping news from Shanghai, Hongkong, Canton, &c., and a complete Commercial Summary.

Subscription, 50 cents per Copy (postage paid 25 cents); \$12 per annum (postage paid \$12.50).

Orders should be sent to GEO. MCKENZIE BAIN, China Mail Office, 2, Wyndham Street, not later than noon of the day the English Mail Steamer leaves.

Terms of Advertising, same as in Daily China Mail.

For Sale.

SPORTING GOODS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE RECEIVED THEIR NEW STOCK OF

ELEY'S GREEN, BLUE and BROWN CARTRIDGE CASES.

ELEY'S WATERPROOF CAPS and WADES.

PROOF & WILKES' SPORTING GUNPOWDER.

LEAD and CHILLED SHOT.

GAME BAGS and CARTRIDGE BELTS.

RECOAPPING and RELOADING MACHINES.

POWDER and SHOT MEASURES.

FLASKS, DOG WHISTLES, &c., &c.

SHOOTING BOOTS, STOCKINGS, HATS and SUITS.

TINNED PROVISIONS and LIQUORS provided for Shooting.

And PICNIC PARTIES at Special Rates.

Hongkong, August 22, 1882. if

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

A NEW COTTAGE UPRIGHT PIANO, from the factory of the "Aron Company," New York. The Piano is 11 octaves, of new finish, and for sweetness, richness and purity of tone cannot be surpassed in China.

Can be seen on board the American ship Sea Wolf, Hongkong Bound.

Hongkong, September 21, 1882.

FOR SALE.

B. & E. PERRIER'S CHAMPAGNE, CARTE BLANCHE.

Pints, \$17 per doz. Case.

Flats, \$18 per doz. Case.

GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, June 23, 1882.

NOW READY.

THE COMMERCIAL LAW AFFECTING CHINESE, with special reference to PARTNERSHIP REGISTRATION AND BANKRUPTCY LAWS IN HONGKONG.

Copies may be had at the China Mail Office, and at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,—Price, 75 cents.

FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts, \$17 per doz. Case.

Pints, \$18 per doz. Case.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, November 1, 1881.

NOW READY.

REPORT OF THE TRIAL—REGINA (on the Complaint of D. E. Baumgardner) versus R. FLANN-SMITH.

Copies may be had at the China Mail Office, and at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,—Price, 50 cents.

To Let.

GODOWNS-TO LET.

PRATA EAST AND WACHAI ROAD.

For Particulars, apply to SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, April 26, 1882.

TO LET.

NOS. 8 and 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE, NOS. 3 and 4, PEDDAR'S HILL, No. 4, OLD BARRY STREET, No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL (lately occupied by Pacific Mail S. S. Co.)

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, September 20, 1882.

TO LET.

NO. 2, LOWER MOSQUE TERRACE.

Apply to J. M. ARMSTRONG.

Hongkong, August 31, 1882.

Insurances.

THE SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.

CAPITAL £1,000,000 (One Million Sterling).

Unlimited Liability of Shareholders.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to accept FIRE and MARINE RISKS at Current Rates, allowing usual Discounts.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., Hongkong, July 1, 1881.

MANCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling of which is paid up £250,000.

Reserve Fund upwards of £250,000.

Annual Income £20,000.

THE Undersigned have been appointed AGENTS for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Fookhow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Hongkong, October 15, 1882.

Insurances.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are authorized to Insure against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1882.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE)

CAPITAL—Two Millions Sterling.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept Risks on First Class Odowas at 1/2 per cent. net premium per annum.

NORTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 19, 1881.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Subscribed Capital—One Million Sterling.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS in Hongkong and Canton for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies covering FIRE RISKS at Current Rates.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 29, 1882. oc20

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of B.V.G. 131—31 Pkgs. Parts of Machinery.

32/50—19 Pkgs. containing 75 Steel Bars.

per S.S. *Bellona*, from HAMBURG, and shipped by J. W. MULLER, Esq., are hereby informed that these Goods are now lying at the London Docks at their risk and expense, and no Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, September 21, 1882. oc28

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "MALABAR," Captain DIXON, FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, September 19, 1882. oc26

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer *Bellona*, Captain SCHAEFER, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats' delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary is given before 4 p.m. To-day, the 20th Instant.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 25th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, September 20, 1882. oc27

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship "Glenary," Captain Hoo, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 23rd Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, September 21, 1882. oc21

NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA, VIA PONTIANAK.

The Co.'s Steamship "William Mackinnon," Captain ORRILL, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 25th Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, September 18, 1882. oc25

FOR BANGKOK VIA SWATOW.

The Steamship "Duc," Captain ALLAN, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 25th Inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

For Sale.

MacEwen, Frickel & Co.
No. 53, Queen's Road East,
(Opposite the Commissariat).
ARE NOW LANDING,
EX "AMERICAN MAIL," &c.
CALIFORNIA
RACKER

COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb
tins, and loose.
Soda BISCUITS.
Assorted BISCUITS.
Crackel WHEAT.
OATMEAL.
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TOPOIAN BUTTER.
Eastern and California CHEESE.
BONNET CODFISH.
PRIME HAMS and BACON.
Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.
PICKLED OX-TONGUES.
Family PIG-TONGUES in kags and pieces.
Porken MACKEREL in 5 lb cans.
Beef and SALMON in 5 lb cans.
Cuttings of FRUITS in 2 1/2 lb cans.
Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.
Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage
MEAT.
Stuffed PEPPERS.
Assorted PICKLES.
MINCEMEAT.

HONEY.
Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted
MEATS.
Richardson & Robbin's Curried OYSTERS.
McGee's Sugar LEMONADE.
CLAZZ CHOWDER.
Smoked SALMON.
Green TURTLE in 2 1/2 lb cans
&c., &c., &c.

AGATE IRON WARE.
FAIRBANKS SCALES.

EX "STILLWATER"

DEVOE'S NONPARIEL
BRILLIANT
KEROSENE OIL,
150° test.

SPARTAN COOKING
STOVES.
OAKUM.

ENGLISH FIRE GRATES.
CUTLERY.
ELECTRO-PLATE.
CROCKERY & GLASS WARE.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF STORES,
including:
TESSERAUX'S DESSERT FRUITS.
ALMONDS and RAISINS.
PICNIC TONGUES.
OCCOATINA.

VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.
Liber's & Epp's COCOA.
FRENCH PLUMS.
PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

MINCEMEAT.
SAUSAGES.
BRAWN.
ISIGNY BUTTER.

DANISH BUTTER.
BREAKFAST TONGUES.
ANCHOVIES.
ASPARAGUS.
SOUPS, &c.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

CHAMPAGNES.
BISSEUX'S MONOPOLE & WHITE
SEAL.
VUVE OLIVET PONSARDIN.
JULES MUQUET & Co., pins & quarts.

CLARETS.
CHATEAU MARGAUX.
CHATEAU LA ROSE, pins & quarts.
CHATEAU LAFFITE, " "
CHATEAU LAFFITE, " "
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SHERRIES & PORT.
SAGGIO'S MANZANILLA & AMON-
TILLADO.
SAGGIO'S OLD INVALID PORT
(1848).
Hunt's PORT.

BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.
1 and 2 Star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.
BOUTEILLE D'OR & Co.'s BRANDY.
FINEST OLD BOURBON WHISKY.
KILBURN'S LL WHISKY.
ROYAL GLENDALE WHISKY.
E. & J. BURKE'S SCOTCH WHISKY.
IRISH WHISKY.

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MARASCHINO.
CUCURAO.

ANOSTRA, BOKEL'S and ORANGE
BITTERS.
&c., &c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and
SAUNDERS, pins and quarts.
GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. &
J. DORRIS, pins and quarts.
DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the
Gallon.
ALE and PORTER, in kegs.

SPECIALTY SELECTED

CIGARS.

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
5 city boxes.
BREAKFAST COGNAC @ 25 cents p. lb.

MILBURN'S PATENT FIREPROOF
SAVES, and CASH BOXES, at
Manufacturer's Prices.
Hongkong, September 12, 1892.

Insurances.

YANGTZE INSURANCE
ASSOCIATION.
CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000.00
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000.00
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 290,553.05

TOTAL CAPITAL AND AC-
CUMULATIONS, 6th
April, 1892.....Tls. 940,553.05

Directors.
H. DE C. FORTUNE, Esq., Chairman.
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Messrs LARING BROTHERS & Co.,
Bankers.
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65 and 67, Cornhill.
Policies granted on Marine Risks to all
parts of the World.
Subject to a Charge of 12 % for Interest
on Shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS
of the Underwriting Business are an-
nually distributed among all Contributors
of Business (whether Shareholders or not)
in proportion to the Premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 8, 1892. 10c82

THE TOKIO MARINE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE MITSU BISHI MARINE S. S. CO.
having been appointed Agents for the
above Company, the Underwriters are
prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at
Current Rates and usual Discounts.

H. J. H. TRIPP,
Agent, M. B. M. S. S. Co.
Hongkong, April 26, 1892. 0027

THE CITY OF LONDON FIRE IN-

SURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL, £2,000,000. | PAID-UP, £200,000.
PAID-UP RESERVE FUND, £260,000.

THE Underwriters having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against
FIRE at Current Rates.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1892.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF

His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Underwriters having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates, payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

Intimations.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

THIS paper is now issued every day.
The subscription is fixed at Four
Dollars per annum delivered in Hong-
kong, or seven Dollars Fifty Cents in-
cluding postage to Coast ports.

It is the first Chinese Newspaper ever
issued under purely native direction. The
chief support of the paper is of course
derived from the native community,
amongst whom also are to be found the
guarantors and securities necessary to
place it on a business and legal footing.

The projectors, basing their estimates
upon the most reliable information from
the various Ports in China and Japan,
from Australia, California, Singapore, Po-
rtland, Saigon, and other places frequented
by the Chinese, consider themselves justified
in guaranteeing a large and over-increasing
circulation. The advantages offered to ad-
vertisers so therefore unusually great, and
the foreign community generally will find
it to their interest to avail themselves of
them.

The field open to a paper of this descrip-
tion—conducted by native efforts, but
progressive and anti-obstructive in tone—is
almost limitless. It is on the one hand
commanded Chinese belief and interest,
while on the other it deserves every aid
that can be given to it by foreigners.
Like English journals it contains Editorials,
with Local Shipping and Commercial
News and Advertisements.

Subscription orders for the above may be
sent to

GEO. MURRAY BAIN,
China Mail Office.

WASHING BOOKS.

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use
of ladies and Gentlemen, can now
be had at this Office. Price \$1 each.
CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

To-day's Advertisements.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.
(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates
for NINGPO, CHEKOW, NEW
CHANG, TIENTSIN HANKOW
and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Co.'s Steamship
"Plover,"
Captain POWELL, will be
despatched on or about
the 26th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 22, 1892.

STEAM TO BOMBAY VIA STRAITS.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s
Steamship
"Ardent,"
Captain POWELL, will leave for the above
place on MONDAY, 2nd October, 1892, at
4 p.m.

A. McIVER,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, September 22, 1892. 002

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

The Steamship
"Diamond,"
Captain CULVER, will be
despatched for the above
Port TO-MORROW, the 23rd inst., at
5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, September 22, 1892. 0033

FOR AMOY AND TAMSUI.

The Steamship
"Folien,"
Captain ABBOTT, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on SUNDAY, the 24th inst., at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 22, 1892. 0034

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Co.'s Steamship
"Cyclops,"
Captain BUTLER, will be
despatched at Daylight
on SUNDAY, the 24th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 22, 1892. 0034

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.

The Steamship
"Kauwhing,"
Captain YOUNG, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on TUESDAY, the 26th inst., at
Noon, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 22, 1892. 0036

WANTED.—A EUROPEAN SHIPPING

CLERK, who has had some Experi-
ence with Steamers.
Apply by Letter only to "Y. L." Office
of this Paper.
Hongkong, September 22, 1892.

Tenth Volume of the

"CHINA REVIEW"

Now Ready.

No. 1.—Vol. XI.

—OF THE—

"CHINA REVIEW"

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A Journey in North Szechuan.
Hakka Songs.
The Chinese Reed Organ (With
Woodcuts).
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Hongkong, September 22, 1892.

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Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
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Crew of the following Vessels, during
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To-day's Advertisements.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COM-

PANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby requested
to send in to this Office a List of
their Contributions of Premium, from the 11th
day of May to the 31st day of December
1891, in order that the PROPORTION of
PROFIT for that Year to be paid as BONUS
to CONTRIBUTORS may be ascertained. Returns
not sent in before the 31st November next
will be made up by the Company, and no
subsequent Claims or Alterations will be
allowed.

By Order of the Directors,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, September 22, 1892. del

NOTICE.

THE Underigned will NOT be RE-
SPONSIBLE for DEBTS contracted
by his Wife CERRA M. SANCHEZ.

J. M. SANCHEZ.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Sept. 22, *Folien*, British steamer, 509,
Abbott, Fochow Sept. 15, Tamsui 19, and
Amoy 20; General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK &
Co.

Sept. 22, *Plover*, British steamer, 085,
Irving, Shanghai Sept. 19, General.—
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Sept. 22, *Suez*, British steamer, 250, G.
Packer, Pakhoi and Hallow Sept. 18, via
Macao, General.—MELCHERS & Co.

Sept. 22, *Atlas*, British steamer, 360,
Goddard, Hallow Sept. 18, Amoy 19,
and Swatow 21, General.—DOUGLAS LAP-
RAIK & Co.

Sept. 22, *William Mackinnon*, Dutch
steamer, 701, J. O'Neill, Amoy Sept. 21,
General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Sept. 21, *Hwai Yuen*, for Canton.
21, *Lorne*, for Singapore and Penang.
21, *Mabel*, for New York.
22, *Crusader*, for Hongkong.
22, *Lusitania*, for Keelung.
22, *Paladin*, for Saigon.
22, *Bellona*, for Shanghai.
22, *Pompey*, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Glenfruin, for London, &c.
Valparaiso, for Hongkong.
Nam-tian, for Hallow, &c.
Cunagras, for Singapore, &c.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Albat*, from Taiwan, &c., Mrs.
Focken and 3 children, Mrs. Weller, Messrs
Beyerich, Haeckel and Gardiner, 1 Euro-
pean steamer, and 150 Chinese.

Per *Pompey*, from Shanghai, 47 Chinese.
Per *William Mackinnon*, from Amoy, 45
Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Crusader*, for Haiphong, 12 Chinese.
Per *Paladin*, for Saigon, 12 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per *Glenfruin*, for London, 5 Europeans.
Per *Nam-tian*, for Hallow, &c., 11
Chinese.
Per *Cunagras*, for Straits, 456 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Folien* reports:
Left Fochow Sept. 15th, Tamsui 19th, and
Amoy 20th; light winds and fine clear weath-
er throughout. In Fochow: S. S. M.
Vicentehire, *Norden*, *Pechili*, and H.M.S.
Encounter. In Amoy: S. S. Wm. Mac-
kinnon, and *Norden*.

The British steamer *Fochow* reports:
From Shanghai had light variable air all
the way with fine clear weather, completed
the passage in 74 hours.

The British steamer *Atlas* reports:
Left Taiwan Sept. 18th, Amoy 19th, and
Swatow 21st. Taiwan to Amoy, light
westerly winds and fine weather; Amoy to
Swatow, light S.E. winds and very fine
weather; Swatow to Hongkong, the weath-
er light N.W. to N.E. winds. Ar-
rived at 3 p.m. Passed the Co's str.
Narrow off Canghai. In Swatow: H. M. S.
Fochow, R. C. M. Hoo, S. S. *Ashtington*,
Hwai Yuen, *Waverley*, *Chefoo*, *Hallow*,
Camelot (entering), and *Fai Long* (leaving
for Canton same day).

The Dutch steamer *William Mackinnon*
reports: Fine weather throughout.

CARGOES.

Per British ship *Emblem*, Hongkong to
San Francisco, sailed Sept. 7th.—10,926
bags Rice, 184 bags Beans, 213 bags
Tapioca, 21 bags Pepper, 210 boxes Oil,
1,490 pails Soy, 35 rolls Matting, 6 pails
Feather, 2,978 pails Tea (unknown), 1,000
bales Hemp, and 13,086 pails Merchandise.

Per American ship *Paul Jones*, sailed
Sept. 18th.—12,188 rolls Matting, 2,600
boxes Cassia, 384 boxes Saigon Cassia, 160
boxes Oil, 100 boxes Gallnuts, 87 boxes
Cassia Oil, 90 boxes Essential Oil, 2,828
pails Fire Crackers, 25 pails Pitch, 14
pails Silks, and 198 pails Merchandise.

Per American ship *Ella S. Thayer*, Hong-
kong to Victoria (V.I.) sailed Sept. 18th.—
3,301 bags Rice, 300 bags Refined Sugar,
180 pails Soy, 50 pails Oil, 912 pails Tea
(unknown), and 3,153 pails Merchandise.

Per American ship *Mabel*, Hongkong to
New York, sailed Sept. 20th.—7,327
rolls Matting, 2,315 pails Fire Crackers,
2,342 pails Cassia, 60 cases Essential Oil,
90 pails Cane, and 79 pails Merchandise.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For STRAITS AND LONDON.—
Per *Glenfruin*, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday,
the 23rd inst.

For AMOY AND MANILA.—
Per *Diamond*, at 4.30 p.m. To-morrow,
the 23rd inst.

For SWATOW AND BANGKOK.—
Per *Rajmattichan*, at 5 p.m. To-mor-
row, the 23rd inst.

For AMOY AND TAMSUI.—
Per *Folien*, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the
23rd inst.

For HAIPHONG.—
Per *Odin*, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the 23rd
inst.

Per *Actis*, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the 23rd
inst.

For HOLLOW AND PAKHOI.—
Per *Suez*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday the 24th
inst.

For STRAITS AND CALCUTTA.—
Per *Pompey*, at 1.30 a.m., on Monday,
the 23rd inst.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For BATAVIA, PONTIANAK, SAM-
RANG, and SOERABAYA.—
Per *Wm. Mackinnon*, at 2.30 p.m., on
Monday, the 25th inst

so that merchants and others could have sufficient time to transact their daily business. This we think would tend to increase the Company's dividend. With another *Bonanza* in the Company's fleet, the difficulty should vanish. Macao has one or two good beaches that could be utilised for bathing, the walks are pleasant, and above all, there is the South-west monsoon blowing steadily into the town to invigorate the worn-out frame of the jaded Hongkongite.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next *French Mail*, per M. M. Coy's steamer *Amoy*, will be expected to arrive here this evening, the 22nd instant.

The following *French Mail*, by the M. M. *Amoy*, may be expected to arrive here on or about Monday next, the 25th inst. She brings English dates up to the 18th Aug.

The Agent informs us that the O. & S. S. Co.'s steamer *Oceanic* left Yokohama for this port to-day.

Two Agents (Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.) inform us that the S. S. *Glenloch* left Singapore for this port yesterday, the 21st instant.

The British barque *Flodden*, Captain Henderson, arrived here yesterday (17th) from Chefoo and reports that on the 12th instant when in 27° North had a typhoon, lost the starboard bulwark and damaged the bowsprit.—*Amoy Gazette*.

With reference to the remarks in last evening's issue as to the quality of water supplied to shipping, a correspondent writes us that not so long ago a Russian man-of-war took in water here, which turned out to be so impure that nearly her entire complement of men were put on the sick list.

The *Amoy Gazette* says:—News was received this morning (15th) of the stranding of the S. S. *Yorkshire* in Hooslow Bay. The S. S. *Hai Lung* is proceeding to the scene of the disaster, to render assistance. Hopes are entertained that by means of discharging a part of her cargo the steamer may be got off.

Amoy is still being pestered with thieves. The *Amoy Gazette* writes:—It is rumoured that a gang of about 40 to 50 thieves arrived in Amoy from Tung-wa. This looks as if they mean business, and it behoves the foreign community to take proper steps to prevent them committing any further depredations on the Island of Kulangso.

HONGKONG is again cut off from telegraphic communication with Amoy, Shanghai, and Japan, as the Great Northern Co.'s cable became disarranged some few days ago. We would be about as well off had we no line at all, as the excessive irregularity and uncertainty of the coast line is a grievous injury to every trader in China. As it is, we mainly have to depend on steamers for our news.

The Band of the Buffs will play, weather permitting, at the Botanical Gardens on Tuesday evening next, the 26th inst., by moonlight, commencing at 9 p.m. The following is the programme:—
GRAND MARCH, "Le Serat," Bouquet.
OVERTURE, "Mozart," Suppe.
SELECTION, "Pirates of Penzance," Sullivan.
VAISE, "My Queen," Bucchelli.
SELECTION, "Il Trovatore," Verdi.
GALOP, "Flick and Flock," Hertel.
"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."

An inquest was held this afternoon before the Coroner, Mr. H. E. Wodehouse, and the following jury: Messrs A. de Silveira, G. J. de Rueda, Chou Dart Tong, on the body of one Lee Aze, an inmate of licensed brothel No. 108, Chiao Road. The deceased was found this morning suspended by a strip of cloth from a plank laid across the top of the partitions forming one corner of her room. She was then quite dead. The only reason which was advanced in explanation of the act was that her lover had died lately, and this had affected her. The jury returned a verdict of *felo-de-se*.

To-morrow is the day on which the Victoria Club indulges in its first cruise. Although forebodings are expressed as to the fate of members should a slight blow overtake them, we trust the canoeists will have a pleasant and successful trip, and that few if any accidents will occur. It might however be well if they intended venturing far afield to have a launch in attendance to pick up the dripping ones so that more serious consequences than a dripping may not follow. The fleet leaves the Recreation Club waters at 3 p.m. to-morrow afternoon.

According to the *Pioneer* smokers will be pleased to learn that according to experiments recently concluded by Herr Kinsling of Bremen, tobacco smoke contains the following strongly poisonous constituents:—Carbonic oxide, sulphurated hydrogen, prussic acid, picoline-bases, and nicotine. After such a formidable list of poisonous elements, it is a relief to be told that the three most toxic in very small proportion, and their volatility is great; also that nicotine-bases are comparatively small quantities. The nicotine is the really deleterious element, and this accumulated in the unsmoked part of a cigar in inverse ratio to the size of this part; that is, the shorter the part, the more nicotine. But nicotine has fortunately remarkable volatility.

The present state of our telegraphic communications appears to be, by the

Westward routes, one line passes through England, and is interrupted; a second through Turkey; and a third through Russia. The alternative route eastward, via Hongkong and Vladivostok, also passes through Russia. What is wanted to render India independent of telegraphic communication dependent on the toleration of those countries, is a cable from Hongkong to San Francisco, from New Zealand to Vancouver, or from Cape Town to the Cape de Nord Islands. Of these, the last-named would be the shortest and safest, as it would give a submarine route from Bombay to England throughout, except from Natal to Cape Town.—*Pioneer*.

The Shanghai *Pioneer* says:—A well-known Chinese resident named Yao Feh-yuen was arrested at his residence behind the Malao on Friday evening by the Chinese authorities and sent to Suchoo forthwith in a steam launch. It is said that he is accused of embezzling a very large sum of money placed in his hands for distribution among the famine-stricken people in Shensi and Chihli, he being, during the famine, the special commissioner appointed by the Government at Peking to raise money for the relief of the famine-stricken people. Before the famine, he was reputed to be wealthy and was a large speculator in property. Subsequently he formed the land company known by the name of the Yao-tsun-yung-tang, and this company purchased, we believe, a large share of E. M. Smith's real estate. He was also the purchaser of the Bubbling Well Cottage, on the death of Mr. McIlraith, and he occasionally resided there. He was a red button mandarin, and an expectant Tootsi. In some of his property speculations, it was generally supposed that he was investing capital on behalf of China, and other high officials in Peking. We understand that the Municipal Police are in ignorance as to how the arrest was effected, no warrant being placed in their hands.

The Bureau of Trade negotiations broke down, we understand, rather unexpectedly; for after great trouble the most embarrassing questions had apparently been settled. The arms question was found by the Government of India to be awkwardly compromised by a letter of an old date from Colonel Fyche, which had vaguely assured the Burmese Government they could have whatever arms they liked. This was opposed, however, to the explicit conditions of the late treaty; and eventually the Burmese Embassy recognised the propriety of reasonable restrictions. A satisfactory Armistice was then finally agreed to, and questions relating to commercial duties were also eventually adjusted, as well as the still more troublesome question about the Quena. This involved a reference home, and was finally compromised satisfactorily. The Eassey guard question was also a subject of dispute. The Embassy wished the matter not expressed in the treaty, though promising that no difficulties would be raised. The Government of India were of course firm on this point, and the Embassy then agreed to it, but now orders have been received from Mandalay for the abandonment of the negotiations and the immediate return of the Embassy, which is expected to leave Simla in a few days. It is not known yet, precisely, what has offended the Mandalay Government, but the moral of the whole transaction clearly is that negotiations anywhere but at Mandalay must be a waste of time.—*Pioneer*.

We (N. C. D. News) are glad to hear of the great extension of mining enterprise which appears to be going on in various parts of the Empire. It has long been known that there are districts in the neighbourhood of Wuhs and Chinkiang where coal and iron were to be found, but recent prospecting has resulted in discoveries of mineral wealth far exceeding what was before supposed. There are two districts in particular, that are extremely rich. One is Hsi-tung, near the old bed of the Yellow River, in the North-west of Kiang-su. This is to be worked by a company promoted by an official in Wuhs; while the other, Chinkiang, which is in Anhui, and said to be even richer than the former, is in the hands of the China Merchants' Company. The coal and iron at these places may be seen cropping out of the surface of the ground; they are both extremely abundant, and of exceptionally fine quality. There are very extensive forests in the neighbourhood, which will furnish large quantities of timber for the operations. So much, indeed, that the periodic output for this item will not exceed 200 against 15, 3,000 to 4,000 at Kaiping. Both Li and Tao are giving all their encouragement to the enterprise, and are said to be personally interested in its success. Then again there are some fine copperfields in Szechuen, not very far from Ichang in Hupei, about which great hopes are promised. These two are divided over two districts, named Chang-lo and Ho-fang, and the out-turn is expected to be something very great. The Mining Company which has been formed here to work the former, has a capital of 1,150,000 in shares of 100 each, the present quotation for them being 68 premium; the Company to work the latter has 1,200,000 capital and the shares 100 each—now at 60 premium. It is thought that the iron from Anhui and Kiangsu will be specially adapted for the manufacturing and steel trade. The movement is one of a highly encouraging nature, and we trust that no superstitious fancies on the part of Censors or Expositors will be permitted to interfere with the operations.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before the Hon. F. Snowden, Puisne Judge.)

Friday, 22nd Sept.

J. G. SMITH and CO. v. FAKULALLY, \$181.38. Mr. Stokes, from the office of Messrs. Sharp, Toller and Johnson, appeared on behalf of the plaintiffs. This was a suit brought to recover the above amount in payment of goods alleged to have been sold to the defendant in the month of April, 1881. The goods were sold by Mr. Humphreys, who was then in the employ of the firm of Smith & Co., to the firm of Fakulally, of which the defendant's brother was the sole partner, now in Bombay. Defendant's brother had told Mr. Humphreys that the defendant was to be his manager. The defence set up was that defendant was only an employee of his brother, to whom the goods were sold. His Lordship non-suited the plaintiffs on the ground that the goods were not sold to the defendant. Defendant stated that he ex-

pected his brother to return from Bombay within a month.

Police Intelligence.

(Before H. E. Wodehouse, Esq.)

Friday, Sept. 22.

PUBLIC GAMBLING.
Chun Aing and nine others were convicted of public gambling in No. 21 Webster's Bazaar yesterday afternoon. The prisoners were arrested by Inspector Rivers and party. The sixth prisoner was pointed out as having been the manager of the game, and was fined \$25 or one month's imprisonment with hard labour; the others were each fined \$2 or fourteen days' hard labour.

CONSTRUCTION.
Chun Aing, contractor, was fined \$10 for allowing a number of boatmen to loiter on the Quay, close to Ice House Lane.

POSSESSION OF BOILED OTHER WITHOUT A CERTIFICATE.

Leong Ahn, coolie, was fined \$10 in default of three weeks' imprisonment for having boiled opium in his possession without being the holder of a certificate. Sergeant Butlin entered the house No. 62 Queen's Road West on the evening of Wednesday last, and there found a quantity of opium under the defendant's charge. The opium found was confiscated.

DEBTORS' DIFFICULTIES.

Hu Asin, shopkeeper, was charged with the unlawful possession of a quantity of clothing, the property of Thomas Freeman, Alfred Anderson, Hans Michael Nicholson, and John Scheller, seamen. The complainants belonged to the American ship *Narcissus*, which has now left for Manila. They deserted from that vessel about nine o'clock on the evening of the 11th September, the vessel being loaded with the aid of a bombastman named Caspar who agreed to take them to his house at Yau-ma Ti, where he was to keep them for two days for \$2.00 each. They got on board the bombast without any difficulty, each man taking with him a bundle of clothing. The boat was then rowed to a place near the Yau-ma Ti house, where the bombastman told them to get out as it would be necessary to wait until it got later. The men did so, leaving their clothes in the boat, which was rowed to a rock some little distance off, where it remained for a short time and then disappeared. The men remained on the hill side all night, and they were afraid of the Police. Next day they visited several of the ships in the harbour in the hope of coming across the bombastman who is a well known character both to the Police and the seamen frequenting the port, but their search was unsuccessful. They continued to wait, however, until yesterday when they reported the matter to the Police who took them to an old clothes shop in Tai-king Shau, kept by the prisoner, who seemed rather frightened when the seamen discovered some of their clothing in his shop. The prisoner told them to take whatever belonged to them, and asked for payment. He said he had bought the clothes from a man whom he did not know but whom he would be able to recognise if he saw him. Freeman valued his missing clothes at \$100 while the other three men said they had each lost clothes to the value of \$75. Freeman said the reason he deserted from his vessel was that there was nothing to do, and that he had been told by the bombastman to come from morning to night. He had never heard such language used during his fourteen years' experience as a seaman.

The case was remanded until next Friday, in order to give the Police an opportunity of arresting the bombastman. The prisoners were released out in bail in two sureties of \$50 each.

(Before H. G. Thomson, Esq.)

OPERATIONS OF THE HURRICANE SOCIETY AT YAU-MA TI.

Ku Lan, farmer, U Fung, doctor, were charged with the offence of interfering with the operations of the Hurricane Society at Yau-ma Ti, on the 8th instant. When the case was opened Chun Ngai, married woman, stated that about half past three on the morning of the 8th instant she missed a box of clothing from her bed. She reported the matter to the Police, and this box which had been emptied, was found lying on the bench some hours later. The following day she accompanied the Police to the second defendant's house where she recovered one of her jackets, and also to a pawnshop where she recovered another jacket. A pawnbroker identified the first jacket as having been pawned by him on the 11th instant, when Mr. Wotton appeared for the defendants, and applied for further remand. The Magistrate granted a remand until this morning, and at first granted bail to each defendant in two sureties of \$25 each, but increased the amount to \$100 in the case of the second defendant to two sureties of \$100 each. Inspector Corcoran having stated that a larger bail was required as the defendant belonged to the San Hop U Society. On the case being called this morning Mr. Sharp, Crown Solicitor, appeared to prosecute and asked for a remand to make further enquiries to be made. Mr. Wotton opposed the further remand on the ground that he considered sufficient time had been given to decide the case. The objection was not entertained by the Magistrate, who remanded the case until the 23rd instant, the prisoners being allowed out on the same bail as before.

In connection with the above case Cheung Akau was charged with conspiring with others not in custody in threatening the life of the complainant in the last case, and threatening to burn her washed on the 15th instant. Prisoner was further charged with others not in custody with attempting to compound a felony at the same time and place. Mr. Sharp also presented in this case. The complainant's story was to the effect that about one o'clock on the morning after the day she had given evidence in the Police regarding the arson, the defendant and five or six others entered her shed, and offered to pay the value of the clothes she had lost and \$5 over and above if she would go back to the Police Court and say that Sergeant Lam Ashui had told her to say that the jacket she identified was hers. She refused to carry out this suggestion, whereupon the defendants threatened to kill her and her family, and to burn her shed. The defendant then left. She reported the matter to the Police next day. Inspector Corcoran said the complainant made a statement almost similar to the above at Yau-ma Ti Police Station on the 16th or 17th. The Inspector reported the circumstances to the Captain Superintendent of Police, who gave instructions to the station a constable to the matched day and night for the protection of the complainant, which had been done.

Sergeant Lam Ashui said he arrested the defendant yesterday evening. He knew the defendant was one of the head men of the

San Hop U Society, and had heard him go round among the Hakka people, saying that any one who gave evidence against one Tam Along would have his ear cut off.

The case was remanded until the 28th instant, bail being allowed in two sureties of \$100 each.

ASSAULT.

Chun Tan Ka, tianan splitter, was sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour for assaulting a cooper named Lau Kan Nt. The cooper was walking along Queen's Road West on Wednesday forenoon, when the prisoner struck him a severe blow on the back of the head with a piece of wood. The cooper had to be taken to the Hospital to have his wound attended to, and he remained there until this morning. No cause was given for committing the assault.

China.

MINOR.

(Mercury Correspondent.)

15th September.
It is indeed with the deepest regret that I have to announce the death of one of our oldest, most beloved, and universally respected residents, Mr. William R. Davidson, of Davidson & Co. He succumbed this morning at 11 a.m. to a short and painful illness, which was attended throughout with high fever. Mr. William Davidson came to China very young, and has for 18 years, I believe, resided in this port. He was a most devoted and successful merchant, and his death has cast a gloom upon us all and saddened every heart. Wherever a kind act was done Mr. Davidson was always there to do it.

Hardly a week ago death laid its stealthy grasp on one of our youngest friends here, Mr. John Jacob Elsie, eldest son of Mr. J. M. Elsie of the C. M. O. Gunboat. A finer, brighter little boy no father or mother could desire, but he was at the age of 4 years snatched from his devoted parents, and many hearty friends, a victim to dysentery. Amongst the many friends who accompanied this little fellow to his last resting place, Mr. William Davidson, who would have thought that he would follow him so soon. He is to be buried this afternoon.

The S.S. *Tunis* for which Messrs. Davidson & Co. are the agents here, has been discharged for the last two trips at the China Merchants' wharf on account of illness of the late Mr. Davidson, and yesterday steamers all refrained from their usual whistles as passenger calls. To-day the flags all fly half-mast.

Two of Messrs. Siemens & Co.'s steamers, the *Chinkiang* and *Peking* coming in within two days of each other with full cargoes from Hongkong is an event which has not occurred since the late Mr. Davidson. The *Chinkiang*, as well as the *Yungning*, seems to be upon the Wanchow-Shanghai line now, which looks well for Wanchow.

We expect our Commissioner of Customs, Mr. Kleinwieser (who has been on leave during the summer), back again a few days, and he will doubtless be glad to see the weather so pleasant, and so rainy.

NEWSPAPERS.

15th September.
Sung, Military Commander-in-chief of this province, returned here yesterday per Chinese gunboat *Wai-yuan* from Tientsin, which he had gone in order to consult with Li Hung-chang with respect to Korean affairs. Previous to his arrival a rumour had reached this place that the *Wai-yuan* had been amicably settled, and we now further learn that Hamaguchi's demands on the Dai In Kun of Corea had in substance been agreed to; that an indemnity—said to be \$50,000 yen—was to be borrowed by Corea from China to pay to Japan, and that the Chinese difficulties between Corea and Japan were to be referred to China for settlement. As the braves unsmiling in this vicinity now state they are going to winter here, we think some relief should be placed upon these rumours.—N. C. D. News.

THE FATE OF ENGLAND.

The following may be taken as an extremely promising sample of what the French can predict in regard to the probable fate of England in Egypt. *La Bataille*, the paper which shadowed forth the sorrows of England, should take to heart Hoss Biglow's advice not to prophesy unless you are sure of what's going to happen.

It seems that by incurring a very slight expense we should be free to assist the English in stamping out a nationality. But we can use our money for better purposes. With our capital we may be able to benefit the English in the matter of England. The days are happily gone when the massacres in Poland and the heroic sieges of every Frenchman, and filled the streets with demonstrations against a Government which looked on unconcerned. The days of heroism are over in the East, and we must meditate only. Let the English continue to bombard and kill, and Franco will remember it. From us heroism has passed to John Bull, and he is now in a state of rage, and believes himself to be master of Egypt, ignoring the rights of others. We can use our money for better purposes. With our capital we may be able to benefit the English in the matter of England. 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